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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Applicant: Bill Cotton et al.
Serial No.: 09/847,297
Filing Date: 03/05/2001
Title: **METHOD OF MANUFACTURING A SPACER OF AN ELECTRICALLY DRIVEN WATER PURIFICATION APPARATUS**
Art Unit: 1732
Examiner: A. Ortiz

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Dear Ms. Creasy:

RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR INFORMATION

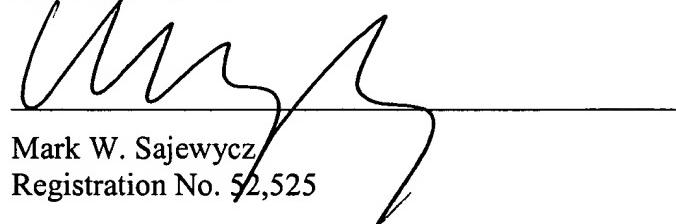
This is in response to the Requirement for Information mailed on July 1, 2004, a copy of which is attached for your convenient reference.

The Applicant hereby submits a Petition for Revival of an Application for Patent Abandoned Unintentionally Under 37 CFR 1.137(b), A copy of the Petition is attached.

Favorable consideration is earnestly solicited and, if any issues remain outstanding, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned agent for the applicant at 416-862-5795.

Respectfully submitted

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A petition was filed on December 22, 2003 under 37 CFR 1.78(a)(3) to accept an unintentionally delayed claim under 35 U.S.C. §§120 and 365(c) for the benefit of prior-filed PCT Application No. PCT/CA00/00687, filed June 8, 2000. A petition was also filed under 37 CFR 1.55(c), on January 8, 2004 under 35 U.S.C. § 119 for the benefit of prior-filed foreign Application No. CA 2,279,201, filed July 30, 1999.

A decision on the above petitions will be held in abeyance for a period of **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this communication to permit petitioner to address the following matter.

The issue fee and drawings were received in the Office on December 24, 2003, which is after the due date of December 23, 2003, noted on the Notice of Allowance mailed September 23, 2003. Petitioner is prevailed upon to submit any information that would verify that the issue fee and drawings were received prior to the December 24, 2003 receipt date in the Patent and Trademark Office. Otherwise, the application will be held abandoned pending the submission of a petition to revive and fee under 37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b) to restore the above-identified application to pending status.

The response to this Requirement for Information should include a cover letter entitled "Response to Requirement for Information."

At the end of the two month period specified above, a decision will be rendered on the instant petition under 37 CFR 1.78(a)(3) and 37 CFR 1.55(c), as supplemented by any information submitted in response to this Requirement for Information.

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